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In re : Application of Currie, et al.
For : **TIRE BUILDING DRUM HAVING EXPANDABLE CENTER
SECTION AND INDEPENDENTLY EXPANDABLE BEAD LOCK
ASSEMBLIES IN THE END SECTIONS**
Serial No. : 09/960,211
Filed : September 21, 2001
Group Art Unit : 1733
Examiner : Geoffrey L. Knable
Our Docket No. : DN2001175USA

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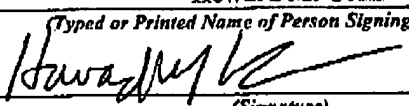
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is an amendment in response to the Office Action dated September 25, 2003 having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on December 25, 2003.

Please amend the referenced Application as follows:

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Applicant(s): Currie et al.			
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